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CABINET REORGANIZATION

PRIME MINISTER KHUKRIT PRAMOT GAVE AN INFORMAL NEWS CONFERENCE AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE AUGUST 26. THE FOLLOWING IS AN INFORMAL USIS TRANSLATION OF KHUKRIT'S REMARKS PERTAINING TO COUP RUMORS AND A CABINET REORGANIZATION.

BEGIN EXCERPTS:

REPORTER: COULD IT BE THAT SOME GROUPS OF PEOPLE ARE PLANNING TO STAGE A REVOLUTION BECAUSE THEY HAVE REACHED THE END OF ALL ENDURANCE?

KHUKRIT: WHAT CAN THEY NOT ENDURE?

REPORTER: DEMANDS AND APPEALS FOR JUSTICE IN VARIOUS MATTERS. THE SITUATION IS CHAOTIC AND UNQUIET.

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KHUKRIT: I DON'T KNOW. I'M NOT A MEMBER OF THAT GROUP.

REPORTER: DO YOU FEEL WORRIED OVER VARIOUS INCIDENTS?

KHUKRIT: WHAT INCIDENTS?

REPORTER: OVER DEMANDS MADE, AND THE FACT THAT THERE HAS BEEN DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

KHUKRIT: EVERYTHING HAS BEEN SOLVED AND ORDER HAS BEEN RESTORED. PEOPLE CAN WALK IN PUBLIC STREETS; THEY ARE GOING TO MOVIES, AND THEY ARE GOING SHOPPING NORMALLY.

REPORTER: HAVE YOU ANY PLAN TO REORGANIZE THE CABINET BEFORE THE BUDGET BILL IS PASSED IN ALL STAGES?

KHUKRIT: I HAVE NO SUCH PLAN.

REPORTER: HAVEN'T YOU ANY SUCH THOUGHT IN MIND?

KHUKRIT: NO.
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